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Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" May I know why the Madras Government should run a Forest College which after all trains students who come mostly from outside the province and why the Central Government should not conduct the staff ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" The College was intended for the education of those who are employed in this Presidency, but because there is ample accommodation for the training of students from other provinces and Indian States such students are also taken."

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" That is why I am asking why the Central Government should not run the staff ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" It was established by this Government for the benefit of the students of this Presidency and so this Government runs the institution."

Hydro-electric schemes

Licence to Messrs. Octavius Steel Company of Calcutta for electrical schemes.

* 191 Q.—Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Messrs. Octavius Steel Company of Calcutta and Messrs. Crompton Parkinson & Co. have been granted licences for carrying out electrical schemes in the Presidency ;

(*b*) if so, for what amount in each case and when the licences were granted ; and

(*c*) whether these two firms only had submitted tenders, and, if not, what are the names of the other firms who had sent up tenders ?

A.—(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) The Tinnevelly-Palamcottah Electric Supply Company, Trichinopoly, Messrs. Killick Nixon and Company, Bombay, and Messrs. Chari and Chari, Madras.

Mr. D. THOMAS :—" May I know if any of the tenders have been accepted by the Corporation ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" This has not been mentioned in the question."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Was the rejection due to the recommendation of the Electrical Inspector to Government ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" It has not been rejected."

Alleged information given to Messrs. Octavius Steel & Co. of Calcutta regarding electrification schemes.

* 192 Q.—Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Collectors of districts have been requested by a demi-official to furnish information regarding towns in their districts which will prove useful for electrification schemes ;